

- c) H₂N-
- d) CH₃OC(O)O-,
- e) CH₃C(O)OCH₂C(O)O-,
- f) aryl-CH₂OCH₂C(O)O-,
- g) HO(CH₂)₂O-,
- h) CH₃OCH₂O(CH₂)₂O-, and
- i) CH₃OCH₂O-;

m is 0 or 1;

n is 1-3;

p is 0-2; and

aryl is unsubstituted phenyl or phenyl unsubstituted with one of the following:

- a) F,
- b) Cl,
- c) OCH₃,
- d) OH,
- e) NH₂,
- f) (C₁-C₄)alkyl,
- g) OC(O)OCH₃, or
- h) NO₂;

and protected forms thereof.

35. The method of claim 34 wherein R¹ is selected from the group consisting of 3-fluoro-4-[4-(benzyloxycarbonyl)-1-piperazinyl]phenyl, 3-fluoro-4-(4-morpholinyl)phenyl, 4-(1,1-dioxohexahydro-1λ⁶-thiopyran-4-yl)-3-fluorophenyl, 3-fluoro-4-tetrahydro-2H-thiopyran-4-ylphenyl, 3,5-difluoro-4-(4-thiomorpholinyl)phenyl, 3-fluoro-4-(3-thietanyl)phenyl, and 4-(1,1-dioxido-3-thietanyl)-3-fluorophenyl.

36. The method of claim 32 where R³ is C₄-C₇ tertiary alkyl.

37. The method of claim 36 where R³ is tertiary butyl.

38. The method of claim 32 where R^2 is methyl.

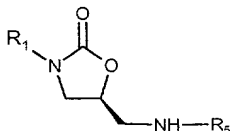
39. The method of claim 32 where X is Cl.

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40. The method of claim 32 wherein the (S)-oxazolidinone is (S)-N-[[3-(3-fluoro-4-morpholinylphenyl)-2-oxo-5-oxazolidinyl]methyl]t-butoxycarbamide.

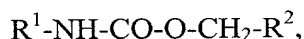
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41. A method of preparing an (S)-oxazolidinone having a general structural formula:



15 wherein R^5 is C_1 - C_6 alkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 cycloalkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_6 alkylthiocarbonyl, or C_1 - C_6 cycloalkylthiocarbonyl, and R^1 is optionally substituted aryl, or a salt or hydrate thereof, comprising:

(a) contacting a carbamate having a general formula



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wherein R^2 is selected from the group consisting of C_1 - C_{20} alkyl, C_3 - C_7 cycloalkyl, aryl optionally substituted with one or two C_1 - C_3 alkyl or halogen groups, allyl, 3-methylallyl, 3,3-dimethylallyl, vinyl, styrylmethyl, benzyl optionally substituted on the phenyl with one or two Cl, C_1 - C_4 alkyl, nitro, cyano, or tri-fluoromethyl groups, 9-fluorenylmethyl, trichloromethylmethyl, 2-trimethyl-silylethyl, phenylethyl, 1-adamantyl, diphenylmethyl, 1,1-dimethylpropargyl, 2-furanylmethyl, isobornyl, and hydrogen; with

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i) a secondary alcohol of a general structural formula:

